

SENATE BILL NO. 284—SENATOR NOLAN

MARCH 14, 2007

Referred to Committee on Human Resources and Education

SUMMARY—Revises provisions governing sports in the public schools. (BDR 34-50)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: No.

Effect on the State: Contains Appropriation not included in Executive Budget.

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EXPLANATION – Matter in **bolded italics** is new; matter between brackets **[omitted material]** is material to be omitted.

AN ACT relating to education; authorizing the boards of trustees of school districts to prescribe fees for the participation of pupils in organized athletic activities and sports; making an appropriation to establish a pilot program to reinstate athletic programs in the public middle schools and junior high schools; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Legislative Counsel's Digest:

- 1 This bill authorizes the boards of trustees of school districts to prescribe a
2 policy that requires the parent or legal guardian of a pupil to pay a reasonable fee
3 for the pupil to participate in organized athletic activities and sports. Such a policy
4 must include a provision that allows a parent or guardian to receive a waiver or
5 reduction of the fee for good cause. This bill also authorizes a public school to
6 accept gifts, grants and donations for the support of athletic activities and sports at
7 the school.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, REPRESENTED IN
SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

- 1 **Section 1.** Chapter 386 of NRS is hereby amended by adding
2 thereto a new section to read as follows:
3 ***1. The board of trustees of a school district may adopt a***
4 ***policy that requires the parent or legal guardian of a pupil to pay a***
5 ***reasonable fee for the participation of the pupil in organized***
6 ***athletic activities and sports, including, without limitation,***



1 *football, basketball, baseball, soccer and track and field. If the*
2 *board of trustees adopts such a policy, the policy must:*

3 *(a) Prescribe the maximum amount of the fee that may be*
4 *imposed for each athletic activity and sport; and*

5 *(b) Include a provision for a parent or legal guardian to*
6 *request and receive a waiver or reduction of the fee for good*
7 *cause, including, without limitation, financial hardship.*

8 *2. A public school may accept gifts, grants and donations*
9 *from any source for the support of the athletic activities and sports*
10 *at the public school. Upon receipt of such a gift, grant or*
11 *donation, the public school shall comply with any reasonable*
12 *specifications made by the donor, including, without limitation, a*
13 *designation of the gift, grant or donation for a specific athletic*
14 *activity or sport or for a specific facility used for athletic activities*
15 *or sports.*

16 **Sec. 2.** 1. There is hereby appropriated from the State
17 General Fund to the Nevada Interscholastic Activities Association
18 the sum of \$250,000 to establish a pilot program to reinstate athletic
19 programs in the public middle schools and junior high schools in
20 this State.

21 2. Any remaining balance of the appropriation made by
22 subsection 1 must not be committed for expenditure after June 30,
23 2009, by the entity to which the appropriation is made or any entity
24 to which money from the appropriation is granted or otherwise
25 transferred in any manner, and any portion of the appropriated
26 money remaining must not be spent for any purpose after
27 September 18, 2009, by either the entity to which the money was
28 appropriated or the entity to which the money was subsequently
29 granted or transferred, and must be reverted to the State General
30 Fund on or before September 18, 2009.

31 **Sec. 3.** 1. This section and section 2 of this act become
32 effective upon passage and approval.

33 2. Section 1 of this act becomes effective on July 1, 2007.

